MRJS News

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Mill Rythe Junior School | Headteacher – Mrs D Maxwell

Kindness
Aspiration
Honesty
Respect
Responsibility

Friday 16th October

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the final week of the first half of the autumn term, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the many positive events that have taken place across the school. It has been a busy and rewarding period, and I am grateful to everyone who has contributed to making it so.

Harvest Festival
Our Harvest Festival was a particularly heartwarming occasion. I would like to thank all families who generously donated food, which was collected that afternoon by the Hayling Food Pantry. The kindness shown by our school community is greatly appreciated, and it is a powerful reminder of how much we can achieve when we work together. I would also like to thank Mrs Wintle for organising such a wonderful assembly. It was the first official engagement of the School Council, and they delivered this assembly confidently. They were a credit to themselves and to the school.



Ambassador Roles
On Monday, I was delighted to present a large number of ambassador badges. It was excellent to see so many pupils putting themselves forward for leadership roles within the school. This willingness to take responsibility, to represent others and to contribute positively to school life is something I value greatly. I look forward to seeing these pupils develop their roles over the coming weeks and months, and see the difference they will make.

World Mental Health Day
This week's assembly focused on the Five Ways to Wellbeing, which are designed to support positive mental health. Developing these habits is important for pupils and adults alike, and the principles provide a sensible foundation for supporting wellbeing throughout the year. I would encourage you to explore the link included in this newsletter, as it may offer a helpful starting point for conversations at home - https://bestforyou.org.uk/guides/self-care-and-wellbeing/five-ways-to-wellbeing/ Also – please do ask your child about yellow cars!

Multiplication Tables Check Information and Year 6 SATS Information for Parents and Carers
Information regarding the Multiplication Tables Check was shared with parents and carers this week. I hope you found it helpful. I would also like to extend my thanks to the Year 4 teachers for their careful preparation and support as pupils have worked towards this assessment. Similarly, information and opportunities relating to SATs were made available to families this term. I hope these sessions proved useful, and I am grateful to Mrs Mott for delivering them so thoughtfully and professionally.

Flu Vaccinations
Today, the NHS visited school to deliver the flu nasal spray immunisation to pupils whose parents or carers had provided consent. I am pleased to report that the pupils managed the process brilliantly, as ever. Well done!

Smile for the Camera
Looking ahead, Monday is school photograph day, and I would ask that you ensure your child is prepared accordingly in full school uniform. Please send children in normal school uniform if it is their PE day. Year 3 PE will take place on Thursday 22nd October instead this week.

INSET Day
Please also note that Friday 23rd October is an INSET day for staff, so pupils will not be attending school on that date.

Attendance by class for this week

3C: 93.1%	**3H:** 94.4%
4B: 97%	**4W:** 97.8%
5B: 95.8%	**5F:** 98.5%
6C: 95.6%	**6G:** 93.5%

Well done 5F!

Thank you for your continued support.
Donna Maxwell
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Autumn Term

19.10.2026 School Photo Day
22.10.2026 Non uniform day
22.10.2026 Parents Evening
03.11.2026 Y2 Parents Meetings
05.11.2026 Reading at MRJS and supporting your child at home
06.11.2026 Non uniform day
09.11.2026 Hot chocolate sales start
10.11.2026 Year 2 Pupil Tours
13.11.2026 Non uniform day
17.11.2026 Year 2 Pupil Tours
23.11.2026 Y5 Space Explorer Dome
01.12.2026 Y3 Stone Age Day
04.12.2026 PTA Christmas shop
TBC Y4 Polar Express Day
09.12.2026 Christmas Lunch
11.12.2026 All clubs and Morning Mastery sessions end
14.12.2026 Y6 Calshot Residential
18.12.2025 Last day of term

AWESOME ATTENDANCE
Class: 5F

INSET DAYS
23rd October 2026
4th January 2027
12th February 2027
7th June 2027

House Points For the week

Hardy:	1799
Nelson:	1686
Trafalgar:	1957
Victory:	1998